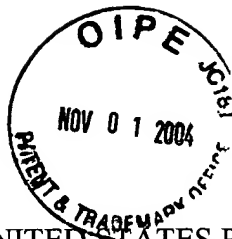


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated July 30, 2004, the Examiner is  
requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ An additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	17	MINUS	20	0	x \$9 \$18	0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	8	MINUS	6	2	x \$44 \$88	176.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$150/\$300						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT—						176.00

☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

☒ A check in the amount of \$176.00 is enclosed.

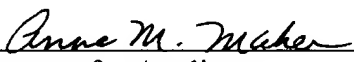
☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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☒ Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C., office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address below.

  
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